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Sole Applicant: David Tropp
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Title: **METHOD OF IMPROVING
AIRLINE LUGGAGE INSPECTION**

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DECLARATION OF DAVID TROPP

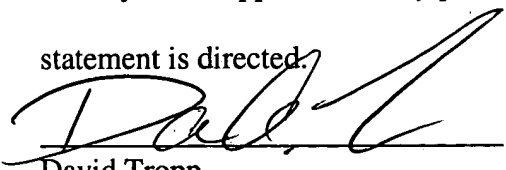
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DAVID TROPP declares as follows:

1. I am the sole inventor of the invention disclosed in US patent application 10/706,500, a Method of Improving Airline Luggage Inspection, filed on November 12, 2003.

2. The attached exhibit A shows a letter from an important member of the travel industry with whom I have a significant order for special locks pursuant to the method of present invention referenced above.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.


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RE: Safe Skies™ – TSA Accepted & Recognized Luggage Locks

Dear Mr. Tropp:


It was a pleasure meeting with you during your visit to our office. Your innovative technology and relationship with the United States Transportation Security Administration (TSA) are a great fit with our product line. As a luggage manufacturer, we are impressed with your solution to a problem that our industry has struggled to solve and we will be moving forward to provide our customers, the traveling public, with luggage locks using your methodology.

As you may know, Travelpro developed the *Original Rollaboard®* and brought this revolutionary luggage to market over fifteen years ago. We sell our well-known Travelpro® luggage brand through specialty retailers, major department store chains and to airline flight personnel. We also have established distribution in many international markets including the United Kingdom, Canada, the Netherlands, Australia and China. Our luggage is used by over 425,000 airline personnel worldwide. We are a patent-driven company as well, with over 11 patents issued and other applications in the pipelines. As such, Travelpro is a leader in the travel goods industry.

Travelpro purchases well over one million luggage locks on an annual basis to distribute with our luggage. We are pleased to place an initial order with Safe Skies LLC for 100,000 TSA-Accepted and Recognized Luggage Locks. We are interested in committing to a two year relationship with your company, Safe Skies LLC.

We look forward to a mutually beneficial relationship in the years to come.

Sincerely,


Kimon Ballis
Chief Executive Officer